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Insist Upon Clean Drinking Cups.

RADIO TALK.

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California laws prohibit the use of common drinking utensils in public places. The law says that it is illegal "to provide or expose for common use, or permit to be so provided or exposed, or to allow to be used in common, any cup, glass, or other receptacle used for drinking purposes." This law applies to hotels, restaurants, soft drink places, soda fountains, stores, theaters, public halls, public or private schools, churches, hospitals, clubs, office buildings, parks, playgrounds, lavatories or wash rooms, barber shops, railroad trains, boats or any other public place, building, room or conveyance.

There is good reason for making such a law as this, for it is not only possible but also highly probable that many diseases such as tuberculosis, diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles, mumps, influenza, common colds and other diseases are frequently conveyed from mouth to mouth through the use of common drinking utensils. It is the duty of every individual who may discover a common drinking utensil in a public place to report it to the local health officer in order that he may take action in the matter. In many public eating places, particularly soft drink stands and soda fountains, where large numbers of persons are served within a short period of time, there is considerable carelessness displayed in the washing of cups and glasses. Patrons should insist that they be served

with clean drinking utensils. There can be no doubt that common colds are easily transmitted through the use of drinking cups and glassware that have not been properly sterilized after use. Merely rinsing a glass or cup in cold water does not make it clean. The use of hot water and soap is necessary in the cleaning process.

In some restaurants not enough attention is paid to the washing of tableware, especially forks and spoons, which, because they are placed in the mouths of customers, should be thoroughly sterilized. Knives can not be considered so dangerous, from a public health standpoint, for the custom of eating with one's knife went out of fashion many years ago. While it is important that plates and other dishes be thoroughly washed and dried before use, special emphasis should be placed upon a thorough cleansing in boiling water of all forks, spoons, cups and other utensils that come into contact with the mouths of patrons in public eating and drinking places.

Whether eating and drinking utensils in public places are kept clean or not depends upon the demand of the public. The proprietor of no eating or drinking establishment can afford to permit his employees to be careless in a matter of so great importance. Since it has been proved conclusively that common drinking utensils are a factor in the spread of communicable diseases there can be no argument against the requirement that the common drinking cup be abolished. If the general public will insist upon the strict observance of this law, eating and drinking in public places will constitute

a greater pleasure than it does at present and there will be far fewer opportunities for common colds and similar infections to spread.

BY THE present Declaration of the Rights of the Child, commonly known as the "Declaration of Geneva," men and women of all nations, recognizing that Mankind owes to the Child the best that it has to give, declare and accept it as their duty that, beyond and above all considerations of race, nationality or creed:

- I. **THE CHILD** must be given the means requisite for its normal development, both materially and spiritually.
- II. **THE CHILD** that is hungry must be fed; the child that is sick must be nursed; the child that is backward must be helped; the delinquent child must be reclaimed; and the orphan and the waif must be sheltered and succored.
- III. **THE CHILD** must be the first to receive relief in times of distress.
- IV. **THE CHILD** must be put in a position to earn a livelihood and must be protected against every form of exploitation.
- V. **THE CHILD** must be brought up in the consciousness that its talents must be devoted to the service of its fellow-men.

Los Angeles County Announces Examinations.

The Civil Service Commission of the County of Los Angeles will hold the following examinations at the times and place indicated below, application to be made on Form 15, which will be sent on request. The application must be made out according to instructions contained therein, and should be filed with the Commission, Room 1007 Hall of Records, Los Angeles, Cal., at least three days prior to date of examination.

Applicants must be citizens of the United States and residents of the State of California. Precedence in certification will be given to qualified electors of this State.

All salary quotations are in accordance with Ord. 1052 (N. S.) as amended, and subject to the restrictions therein set forth, including the deduction and setting aside for a retirement fund of \$4.00 per month for each employee, and the return of same with interest on separation from the service.

DEPUTY COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER—Div. Com. Disease

DEPUTY COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER—Div. Child Welfare

LOCAL DISTRICT HEALTH OFFICER—Div. Com. Disease

Department County Health Officer

Open Competitive Examinations

Monday, December 1, 1924, 8.30 a.m.

Room 1007, Hall of Records, L. A., Cal.

There are one or more appointments to be made to each of the above positions and the Commission desires eligible lists from which appointments may be made as necessary.

Salary—

For each position—beginning at \$225 per month; advance after one year to \$250 per month; further advance after two years to \$275 per month, only by order of the Board of Supervisors for thoroughly satisfactory service.

Duties—

Div. Com. Disease and Local Dist. Health Officer: Under direction of the County Health Officer, to enforce all orders and ordinances of the Board of Supervisors pertaining to health and sanitary matters and investigation of communicable diseases; also all quarantine regulations and rules prescribed in relation thereto by the State Board of Health and to enforce all statutes relating to the public health and to vital statistics.

Div. Child Welfare: To assist the County Health Officer in the performance of his duties in enforcing and observing all State laws, all orders and ordinances of the Board of Supervisors, and all orders and quarantine regulations and rules of the State Board of Health pertaining to public health, sanitation and vital statistics. Specifically, to carry out the regulations in regard to enforcement of the Birth Registration Act of the State of California, to prevent contagious diseases of children, to improve nutrition of childhood by educational effort, and to cooperate with parents in the better care of infants throughout the county.

Requirements—

Candidates must be graduates of some medical school of recognized standing, and be registered to practice medicine in the State of California.

For the Communicable Disease Division. Preference will be given to those who have had experience in the diagnosis and investigation of the sources of communicable diseases, and in the administration of public health laws.

For Division of Child Welfare. Preference will be given to women especially qualified for and experienced in the performance of the specific duties enumerated above.

Executive and professional ability of a high order are essential in both.

Scope of Examination

	Relative weights
1. Written Examination	4
2. Education, Experience and General Qualifications, verified by interview and references	6
Total	10

LOCAL DISTRICT HEALTH OFFICER—(as needed)

Department County Health Officer

Open Competitive Examination

Last day for filing applications, Monday, December 1, 1924.

Room 1007, Hall of Records, L. A., Cal.

It is desirable to secure an eligible list in every locality of the county from which appointments may be made as needed in the division of communicable diseases.

Salary—

\$7.00 per day.

Duties—

Under direction of the County Health Officer, to serve temporarily in emergencies in their respective localities in performance of duties as outlined above.

Requirements—

Same as those stated above for candidates for the Communicable Disease Division.

Scope of Examination

There will be no written examination having a separate weight. Candidates will be rated competitively as to their education, experience and general qualifications as stated in their applications or supplemental experience sheets, and verified by references and interview, if deemed necessary.

ASSISTANT CHIEF NURSE—Dept. of Health
Open Competitive Examination

Written Examination, 1.30 p.m. Oral Interview,, 9.00 a.m.

Friday, December 12, 1924.

Room 1007, Hall of Records, L. A., Cal.

There is one appointment to be made immediately and an eligible list is desired.

Salary—

Beginning at \$140 per month; advance after one year to \$145 per month; further advance after two years to \$150 per month, only by order of the Board of Supervisors for thoroughly satisfactory service.

Duties—

To assist the Chief Nurse in the supervision and work of the Public Health Nurses at clinics, health centers and schools; to help with the planning and maintaining of an educational program designed to improve the work of the Public Health Nurses and to raise the standard of the service as a whole; to assist in the examination and compiling of reports and in marking the efficiency of the workers.

Requirements—

Candidates must be graduates of some accredited school for nurses and be registered in some State in the Union. They must have had a good preliminary education, special training in public health nursing, or two years' experience in supervision and teaching. Executive ability, good personality and sound health are requisites.

Scope of Examination

	Relative weights
1. Written Examination -----	4
2. Education, Experience and General Qualifications, verified by interview and references-----	6
Total -----	10

TUBERCULOSIS HEALTH NURSE

Open Competitive Examination

Friday, December 12, 1924, 8.30 a.m.

Room 1007, Hall of Records, L. A., Cal.

There is one position to be filled and an eligible list is desired.

Salary—

Beginning at \$140 per month; advance after one year to \$145 per month; further advance after two years to \$150 per month, only by order of the Board of Supervisors for thoroughly satisfactory service.

Duties—

Under direction of the County Health Officer to assist in the prevention and control of tuberculosis in accordance with State laws and county ordinances, and to carry out special sanitary supervision or instruction in hygiene in clinics or in the homes throughout the county in cooperation with local persons or organizations.

Requirements—

Candidates must be graduates of some recognized training school for nurses and be registered in some State of the Union. Candidates are desired to have had at least two years' experience in tuberculosis nursing, at least one of which must have been in country work. A knowledge of organizations in rural districts and organizing ability are essential. Candidates must be able to drive an automobile and be in sound health.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Open Competitive Examination

Friday, December 12, 1924, 8.30 a.m.

Room 1007, Hall of Records, L. A., Cal.

The Commission desires an eligible list from which appointments may be made as necessary.

Salary—

Beginning at \$125 per month; advance after one year to \$130 per month; further advance after two years to \$135 per month, only by order of the Board of Supervisors for thoroughly satisfactory service.

Duties—

Under direction of the County Health Officer, to investigate the sources of contagious diseases of children, to assist in the education of the public in the control of preventable diseases, particularly of women and children, and to give needed advice and emergency treatment as directed.

Requirements—

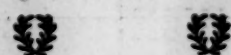
Candidates must be graduate nurses, at least 21 years of age, in sound health, and hold a certificate of Public Health nursing from the State Board of Health. A fair knowledge of the problems of contagious diseases, child hygiene, school hygiene and the relation of social conditions to disease, is desired, but the candidate must possess a capacity and aptitude for such work and be ambitious to become proficient in the same. Some initiative, teaching ability and power of independent judgment are vital qualifications for this position.

Scope of Examination

	Relative weights
1. Written Examination -----	5
2. Education, Experience and General Qualifications, verified by interview and references -----	5
Total -----	10

General Note: Candidates in any of the above examinations who fail to receive a rating of at least 70 per cent in education, experience and general qualifications will be considered as having failed in such entire examination.

In determining the rating for "experience," etc., consideration is given to the quality and character of experience and the qualifying benefits gained therefrom, as well as to the length or quantity of the same.



MORBIDITY.*

Diphtheria.

170 cases of diphtheria have been reported, as follows: Los Angeles 51, San Francisco 20, Turlock 8, Santa Clara County 7, Oakland 13, Watsonville 1, Napa 1, San Diego 4, Fullerton 1, Sacramento 3, Alameda 1, Hayward 2, Santa Cruz 1, Fillmore 1, Monterey Park 1, Sunnyvale 1, Fresno County 1, Salinas 2,

*From reports received on November 17th and 18th for week ending November 15th.

Santa Barbara 3, Monterey County 2, Orange County 1, San Diego County 2, Ontario 2, Berkeley 2, Stockton 2, Stanislaus County 3, San Mateo County 4, Los Angeles County 2, Hermosa Beach 2, El Segundo 1, Whittier 4, Glendora 1, Fresno 1, Palo Alto 2, Tulare County 2, Alameda County 2, Bakersfield 4, Merced 1, Pasadena 2, Long Beach 4, Imperial County 1, Colton 1.

Scarlet Fever.

101 cases of scarlet fever have been reported, as follows: Los Angeles 16, San Francisco 11, Orange County 5, San Diego 8, Stockton 5, Los Angeles County 7, Fresno County 8, Watsonville 1, Riverside 3, Santa Barbara 2, Huntington Beach 4, Santa Paula 1, Los Gatos 1, Yuba County 1, Pasadena 1, San Diego County 1, Santa Ana 3, Tulare County 2, Long Beach 2, Santa Barbara County 1, Kern County 1, Alameda County 4, Fresno 1, Sacramento 2, San Gabriel 1, Santa Clara County 3, Bakersfield 1, Oakland 2, Selma 1, Yuba County 1, Hanford 1.

Measles.

24 cases of measles have been reported, as follows: Los Angeles 9, San Fernando 5, San Diego 1, Alameda 1, San Joaquin County 3, Watsonville 1, Palo Alto 1, Los Angeles County 1, Alameda County 2.

Smallpox.

99 cases of smallpox have been reported, as follows: Los Angeles 29, Los Angeles County 25, Sacramento 10, Fresno County 5, Ontario 6, Long Beach 2, Redondo Beach 2, Tulare County 2, Fresno 2, Beverly Hills 1, Santa

Clara County 1, San Francisco 2, La Mesa 1, Bakersfield 1, Chico 1, Imperial County 1, Huntington Beach 1, Watts 3, Pasadena 1, Yuba City 1, Oakland 1, Claremont 1.

Typhoid Fever.

9 cases of typhoid fever have been reported, as follows: Sierra Madre 1, Ontario 1, Los Angeles 2, Los Angeles County 2, Riverside 1, Stanislaus County 1, California 1.

Whooping Cough.

65 cases of whooping cough have been reported, as follows: Los Angeles 15, Los Angeles County 10, San Diego 7, San Diego County 6, Monterey County 5, Sutter County 7, San Francisco 3, Santa Paula 4, Beverly Hills 1, Berkeley 3, Monrovia 1, Pasadena 2, Oakland 1.

Cerebrospinal Meningitis.

Los Angeles reported one case of cerebrospinal meningitis.

Poliomyelitis.

9 cases of poliomyelitis have been reported, as follows: Santa Clara County 1, Long Beach 1, Los Angeles 1, La Mesa 1, Alameda 1, Los Angeles County 1, Visalia 1, Oakland 2.

Typhus Fever.

Los Angeles reported 2 cases of typhus fever.

Plague.

Two new cases of plague have occurred, in Los Angeles and vicinity, making a total of 38 cases, including 33 deaths, to date.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REPORTS.

Disease	1924				1923			
	Week ending			Reports for week ending Nov. 15 received by Nov. 18	Week ending			Reports for week ending Nov. 17 received by Nov. 20
	Oct. 25	Nov. 1	Nov. 8		Oct. 27	Nov. 3	Nov. 10	
Anthrax	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Botulism	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cerebrospinal Meningitis	2	4	3	1	2	5	4	2
Chickenpox	132	180	244	186	61	60	91	175
Diphtheria	207	148	215	170	229	228	250	283
Dysentery (Bacillary)	1	0	0	1	3	6	0	4
Epidemic Encephalitis	2	3	6	0	1	2	3	2
Gonorrhoea	77	257	102	73	86	133	128	79
Influenza	17	14	15	13	12	14	23	27
Leprosy	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Malaria	0	1	1	2	7	3	4	2
Measles	34	20	35	24	221	314	316	238
Mumps	73	54	64	62	15	31	14	14
Pneumonia	31	55	64	38	43	46	44	67
Poliomyelitis	10	17	10	9	21	9	8	10
Scarlet Fever	115	100	138	101	133	158	179	174
Smallpox	70	72	107	99	51	74	88	85
Syphilis	103	145	68	165	96	122	174	109
Tuberculosis	162	205	136	137	194	141	229	118
Typhoid Fever	22	19	27	9	25	25	19	16
Typhus Fever	0	0	2	2	0	0	4	2
Whooping Cough	79	82	76	65	27	28	57	29
Totals	1138	1376	1313	1158	1227	1399	1636	1437

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